

Appl. No. : 10/627,007
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REMARKS

Restriction to one of the following groups was required under 35 U.S.C 121:

- Group I Claims 1-25, drawn to a single polynucleotide sequence, classified in class 536, subclass 23.1;
- Group II Claims 26-31, drawn to a single isolated polypeptide sequence, classified in class 530, subclass 350;
- Group III Claims 32-56, drawn to a single isolated antibody which binds a specific sequence, classified in class 424, subclass 93.7.

In response to this restriction requirement, Applicant elects Group I, that is Claims 1-25.

Sequence election

Additionally, the Applicant was required to restrict claims in the elected group to one sequence recited as a "candidate substance". In response to this restriction requirement, Applicant elects SEQ ID NO: 5, which is the sequence of the Candidate # 25.

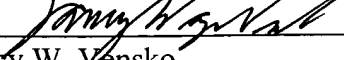
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests that this application be passed to issuance. If any points remain that can be resolved by telephone, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-given telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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